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**Maine EMS Education Committee  
Minutes  
Wednesday, June 10, 1998**

Present: L. Delano, C. Boehm, D. Bahr, B. Zito, D. Paladino, J. Brinkman, P. Marcolini, R. Woods, B. Davis

Staff: D. Corning

I. **Call to Order** - The meeting was delayed until a quorum was present, and was called to order at 10:05.

a. **Introductions** - None necessary

b. **Assign Timekeeper** - R. Woods

c. **Additions/Deletions to Agenda** - Add discussion on summer schedule

II **Acceptance of May Minutes:**

**MOTION: To accept the May minutes as presented (Boehm; Palladino) Passed**

III **Staff Report:**

a. **Operations:**

1. Adolescent Suicide Project: Train the Trainer programs have been scheduled for all six regions, starting with Tri-County in late July. Each Regional Coordinator has applications.
2. First Responder: Dwight hopes to have the curriculum updated in the next couple of weeks, and will then update the tasks list. Any moratorium of First Responder classes is left up to the individual regions.
3. CEH's: The Operations Team referred the issue of CEH's for "Credit Courses" from a Technical College or University to the Education Committee. We need to add it to a future agenda when we review the number of hours per category and what categories are necessary as we review the new First Responder and Intermediate curriculums.
4. LifeFlight of Maine: They have applied for licensure for 2 bases, and it is expected that the Board will discuss these applications at the August meeting of the Board. LifeFlight is down to the two finalists for the part 135 provider, and hope to make a final decision by mid June.

5. EMT-I program: The Operations Team discussed that all areas need to be complete before this program is rolled out. Southern Maine EMS will be the Project Champion for this project.
- b. **Board:**
  1. There are three new Board vacancies, they are a representative from a fire service, a representative from the Maine Hospital Association, and another public representative.
  2. John Fields has been reelected as Board Chairman, and Jim McKenney has been reelected as Board Chairman-Elect.
  3. Jay showed the Board the proposed web page for Maine EMS.
  4. The Board will not be meeting in July, but will be returning to monthly meetings beginning in August.

#### IV. Old Business:

- a. EMS/TC Task Force: Jay has taken on the responsibility of contacting the appropriate parties on behalf of John Fields, and will work to get a meeting scheduled.
- b. EMT-Intermediate - Liz has not received any suggested changes or comments from Education Committee members. She did receive 2 suggestions from the Southern Maine EMS Education Committee, which were as follows:
  1. On page 9 letter E will be changed to Chest Pain, then will be broken down into the two categories of Angina and M.I.
  2. On page 11, under section 2, Respiratory Emergencies, a section on CHF will be added. There is still debate over using Epi 1:1000 in vials to be drawn up vs. an Epi-pen, pre-filled syringes, or other similar choices.

**Motion: To approve the proposed additions to the EMT-I curriculum as presented, including the two additions discussed by L. Delano. (Boehm; Davis) Passed 8-0-0**

The checklist of items that need to be completed prior to roll-out will be adapted from the First Responder list. A CEH review needs to be added to the June meeting agenda.
- c. I/C Program: A few minutes was spent discussing the document *Maine EMS Educational System "One Vision for Instructional Delivery"* that Chip produced and brought to the meeting. Education Committee members need to spend some time outside of this meeting reviewing this document, and send comments to Chip. Chip will bring an updated version to the July meeting for further discussion. (The document from Chip and a document from Paul Plumer are both included with these minutes).
- d. First Responder Program, Bridge Course: Dwight has heard that NH EMS may have a bridge program, and will follow up with them to see if it really exists.
- e. CBO's - Dwight has not updated the CBO's yet, but will provide the updated version to members of the Education Committee as soon as it is completed.
- f. Distance Learning: Work group has not met yet, but team members have been working on gathering additional information. They will be planning a meeting in the near future.

#### V. New Business:

- a. Summer Schedule: The Education Committee **will** meet in July. Please RSVP to Dwight on whether or not you plan on attending. At the July meeting we will decide if an August meeting is necessary.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 AM. The next joint meeting of the Education Committee will be on July 8, 1998.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dwight Corning